

Instant Analyses in **AFNI** and **SUMA**: Clusters and Correlations

Data for this presentation:
AFNI_data5/ directory

All data herein
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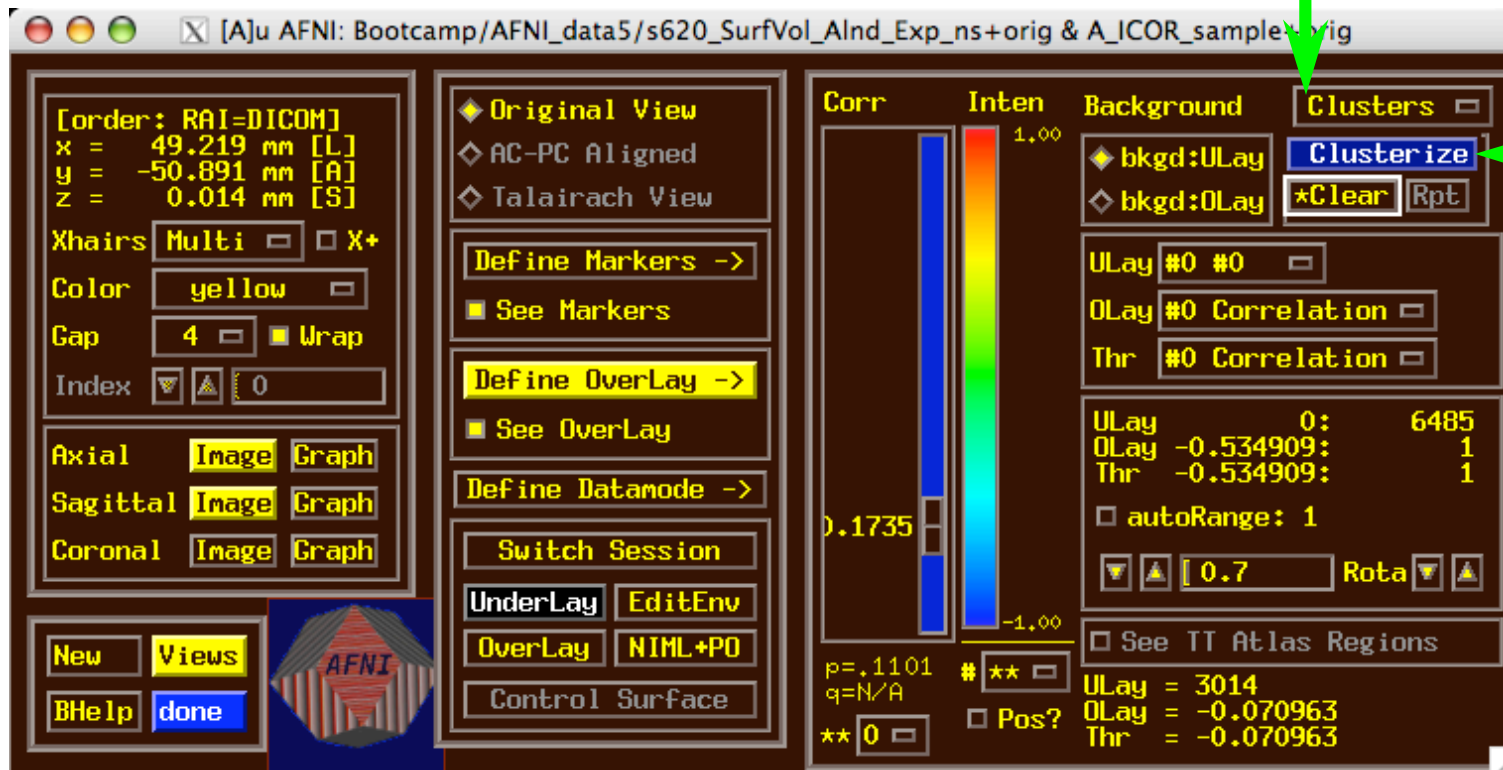


“Insta” Functions

- 3 new capabilities added to the interactive AFNI
- Each one: compute new dataset volumes **insta**ntly to replace the Overlay volume for image viewing
- **Clusters** = interactive clustering
 - ★ remove clusters below a user-chosen size
 - ★ display a table of clusters
- **InstaCorr** = interactive exploration of inter-voxel time series correlation
 - ★ choose a seed voxel and see correlation map
 - ★ SUMA version also exists
- **InstaCalc** = interactive version of **3dcalc**
 - ★ e.g., display ratio of 2 datasets

AFNI! Clusters: Setup

- Open **Define Overlay**, choose **Clusters** from menu in top right corner



- Then press **Clusterize** to get the clusters control menu

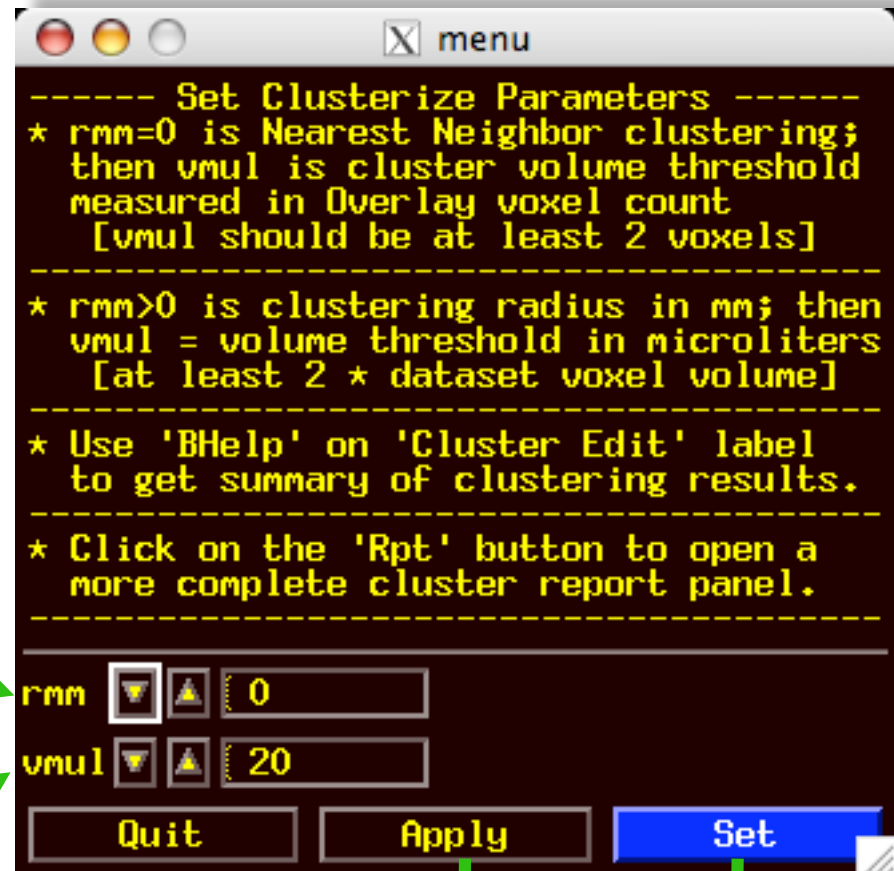
Clusters Control Menu

Operates on user's
chosen **Overlay**
dataset at the user's
threshold;
Next slide example:
AFNI_ICOR_sample

Default: NN clustering

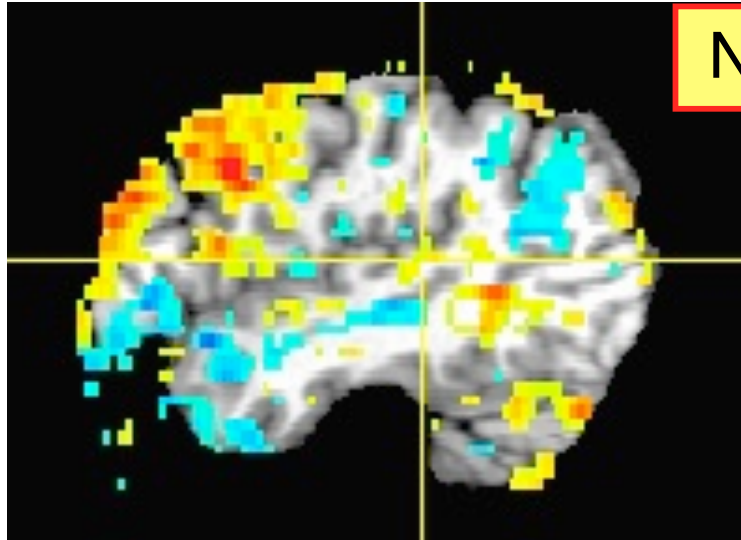
Default: 20 voxel
minimum cluster size

Clustering is done in 3D

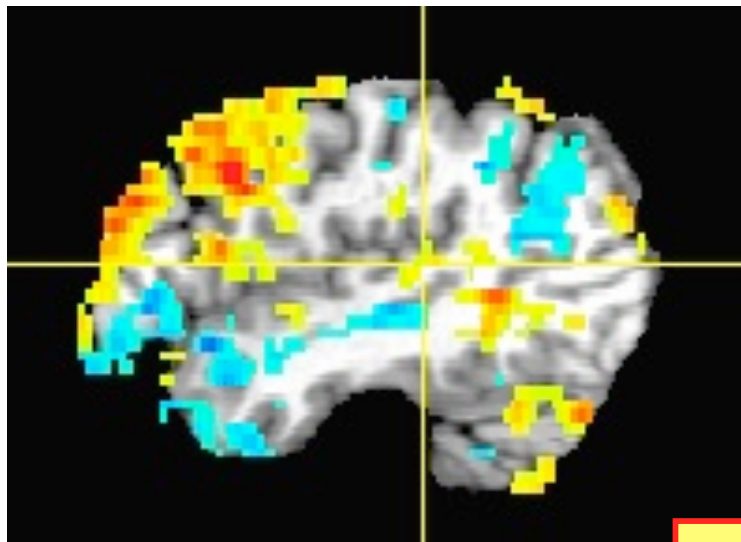


Press one of these
buttons to create
clusterized volume for
display as new **Overlay**

Clusters Results

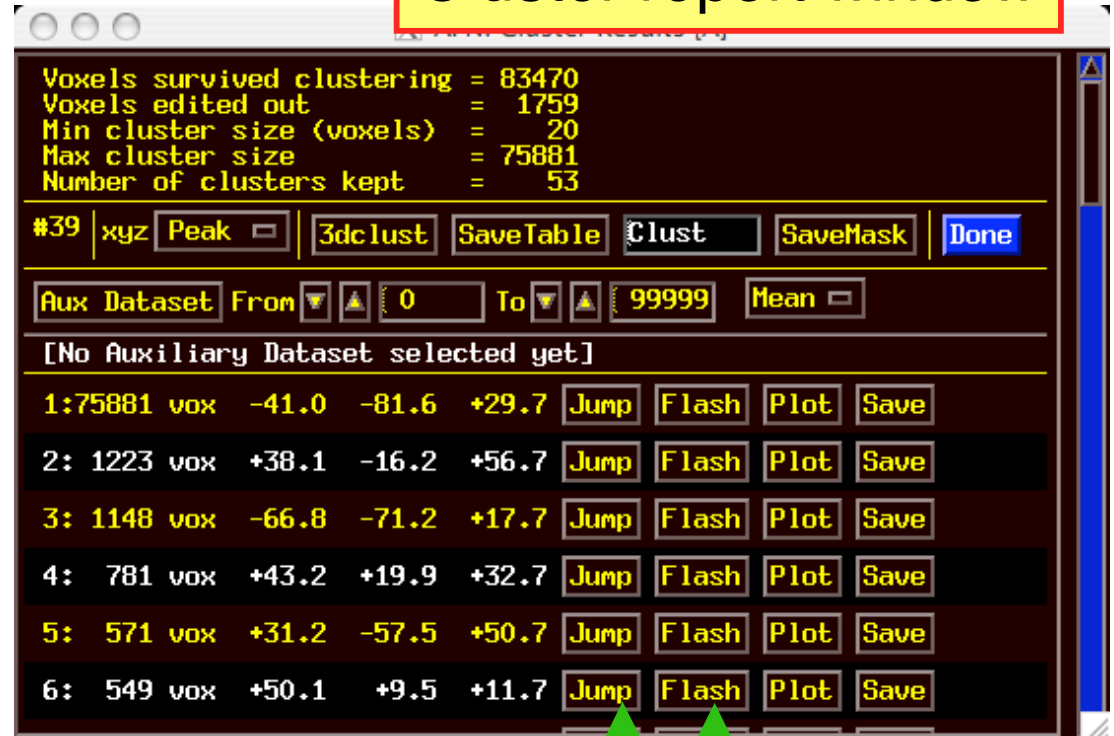


No clustering



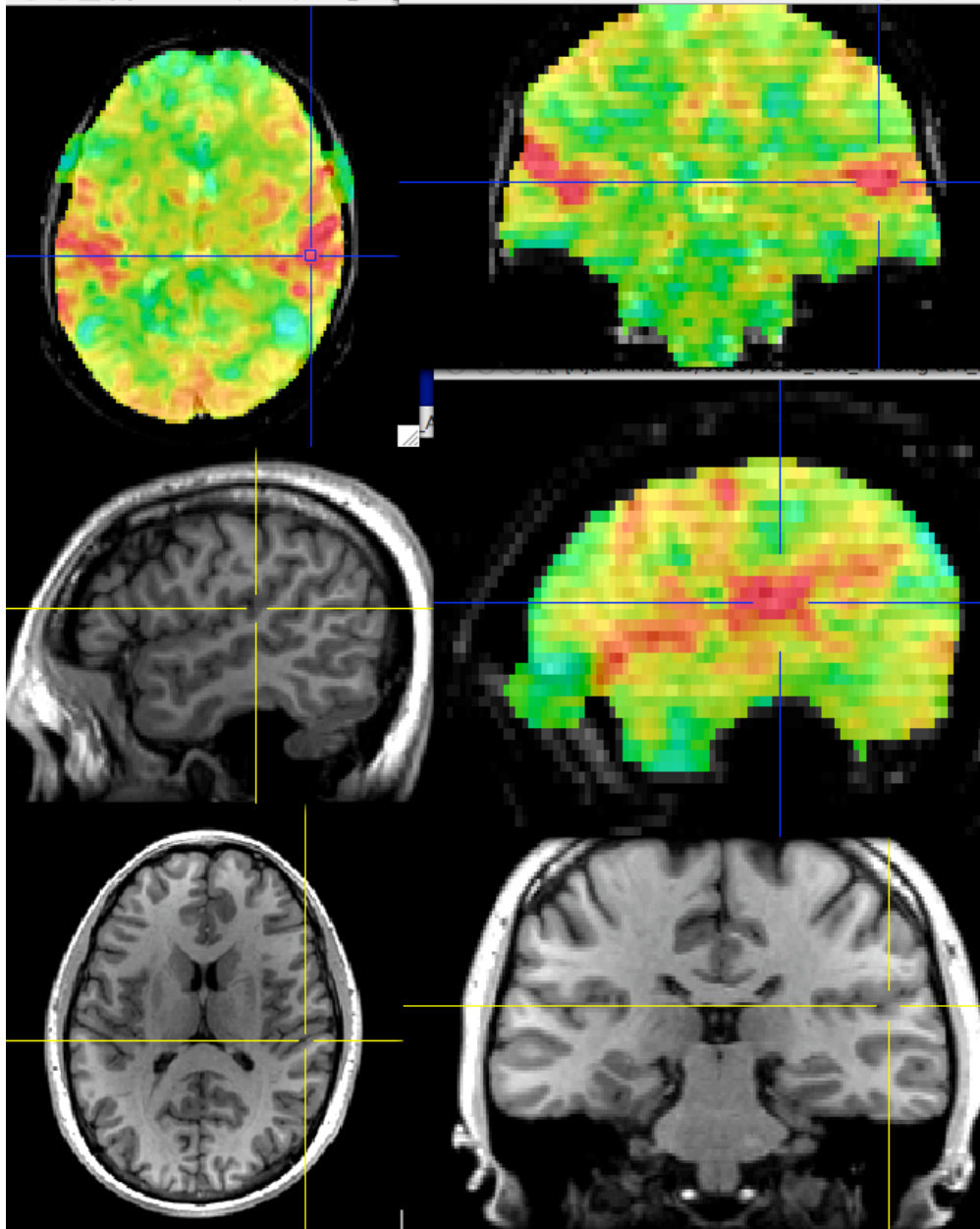
With clustering

Cluster report window



Jump: crosshairs move
Flash: colors on & off

AFNI! InstaCorr



- On-the-fly instantaneous correlation map of resting state data with interactively selected seed voxel
- **Setup phase:** prepares data for correlations (several-to-10+ seconds)
- **Correlation phase:** you select seed voxel, correlation map appears by *magic*

InstaCorr: Outline of 2 Phases

- **Setup phase:**

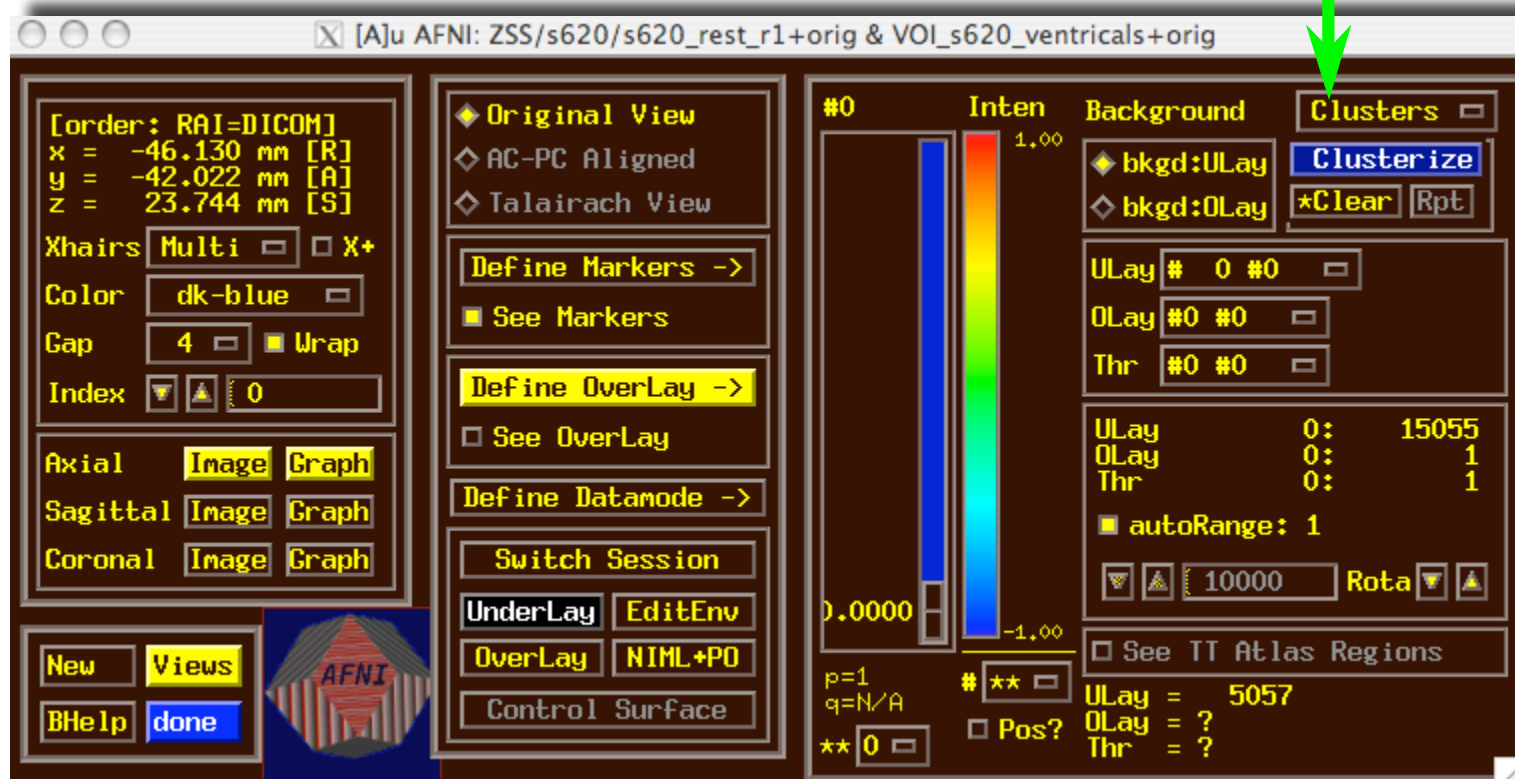
- ★ Masking: user-selected *or* Automask
- ★ Bandpass and other filtering of voxel time series
- ★ Blurring inside mask = the slowest part

- **Correlation phase:**

- ★ Correlate selected seed voxel time series with all other prepared voxel time series
- ★ Make new dataset, if needed, to store results
- ★ Save seed time series for graphing
- ★ Redisplay color overlay
- ★ Optional: compute FDR curve for correlations
 - Calculation is slow, so FDR is not turned on by default

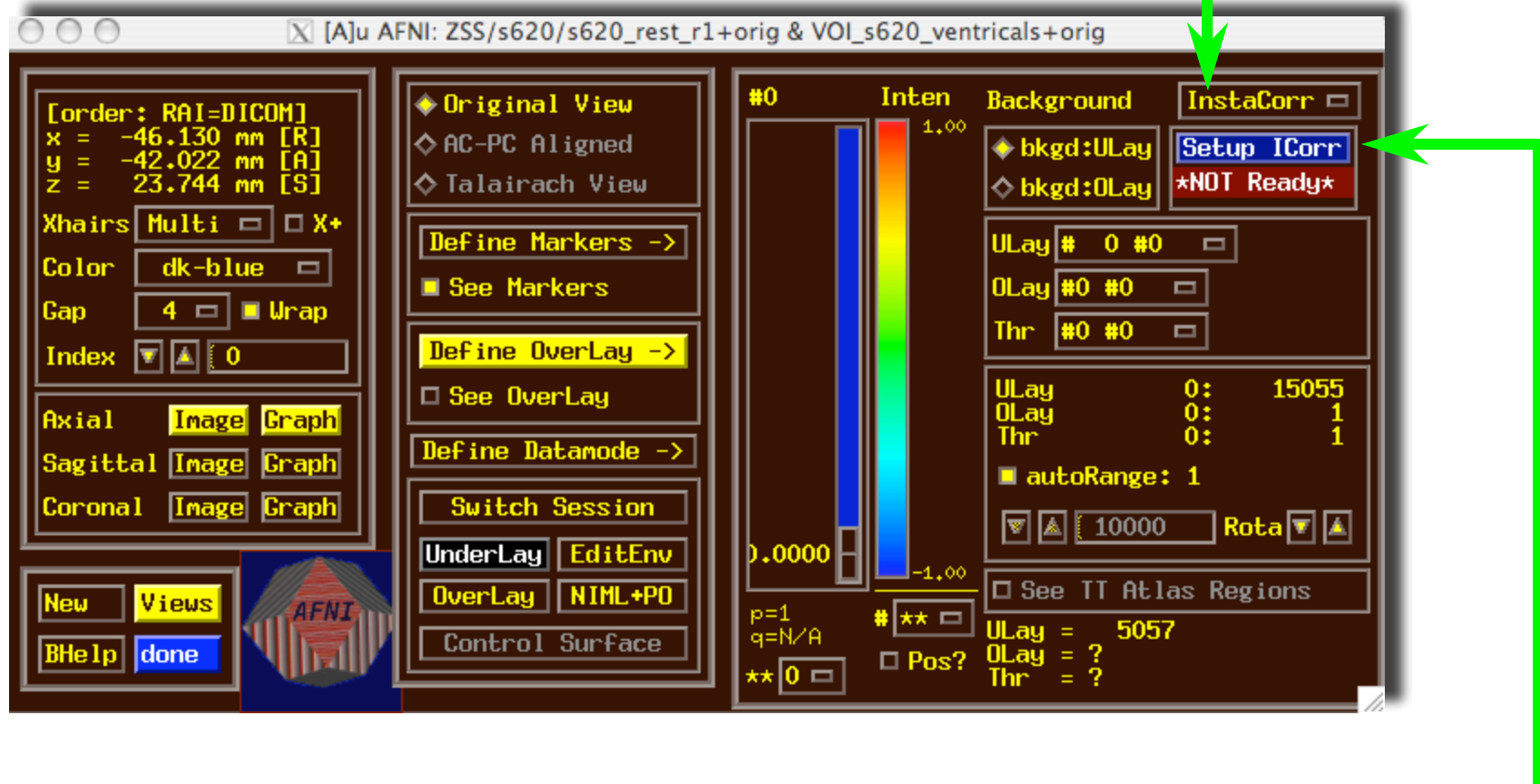
InstaCorr: Setup

- Open **Define Overlay**, choose **InstaCorr** from menu in top right corner



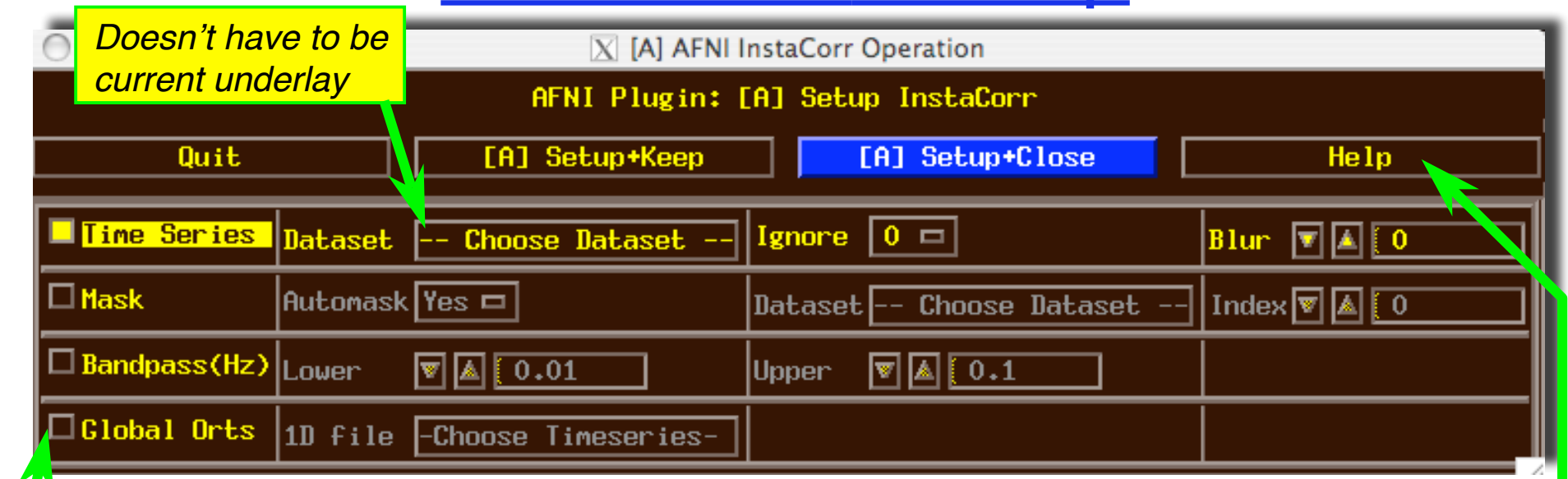
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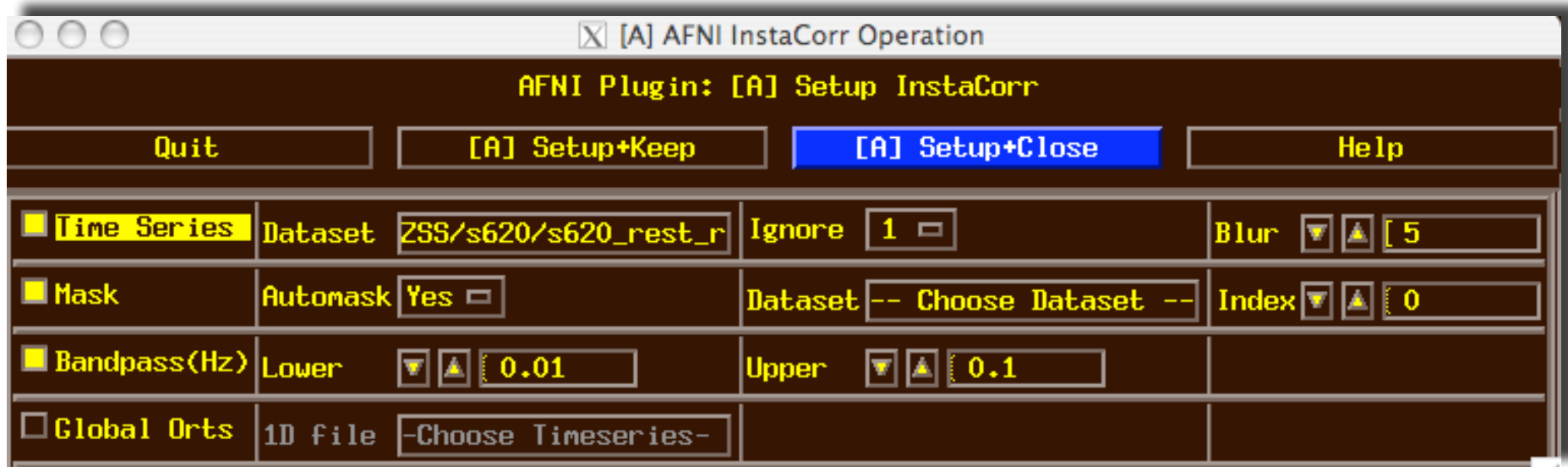
- Then press **Setup ICorr** button to get control panel

InstaCorr: Setup



- Mostly self-explanatory (I hope) — cf. **Help**
- **Global Orts** = extra time series to be projected out of dataset before correlation
 - ★ All columns in selected 1D file
 - ★ e.g., movement parameters
 - ★ The first **Ignore** rows (time points) will be skipped
- When ready, press one of the **Setup** buttons

InstaCorr: Setup



- Text output to shell window details the setup procedures:

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++ InstaCorr preparations:
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+ Automask from
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'/Users/rwcox/data/Resting/ZSS/s620/s620_rest_r1+orig.BRIK' has  
197234 voxels
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+ Extracting dataset time series
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```
+ Filtering 197234 dataset time series
```

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+ bandpass: ntime=139 nFFT=160 dt=3.5 dFreq=0.00178571  
Nyquist=0.142857 passband indexes=6..56
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+ Spatially blurring 139 dataset volumes
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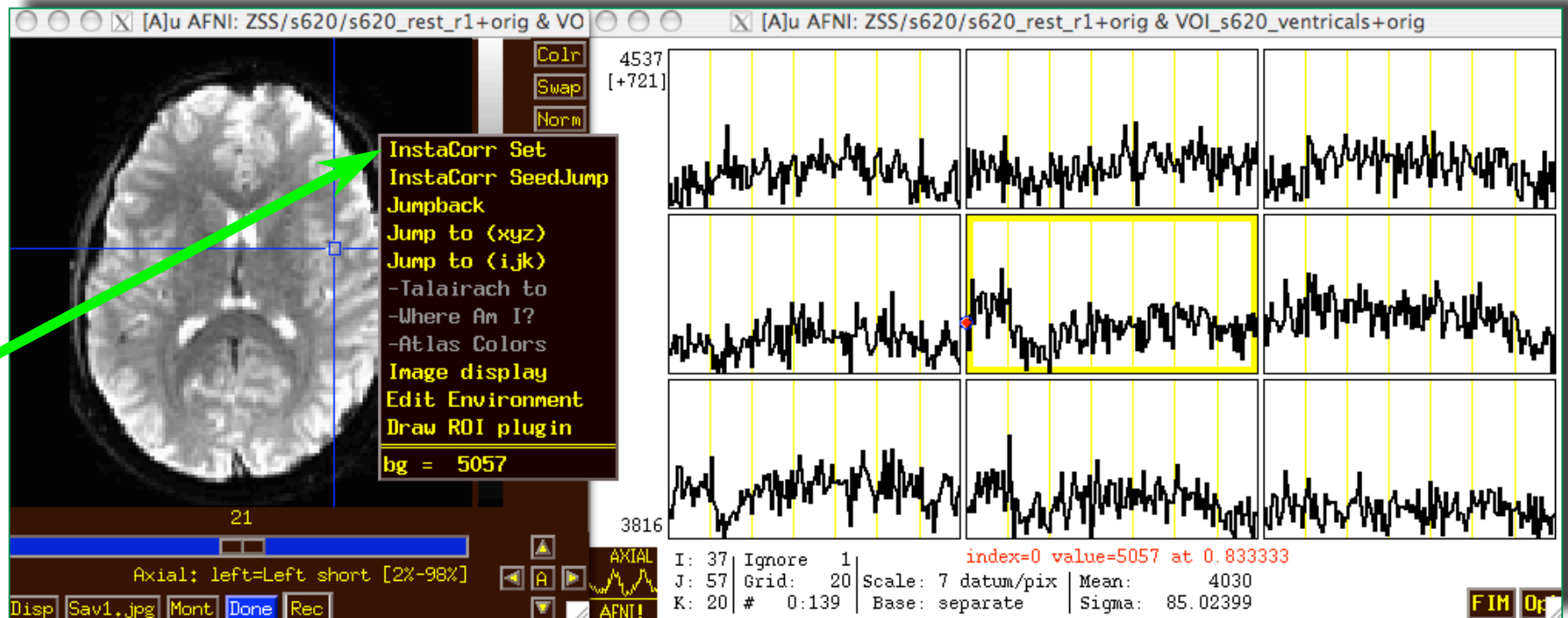
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+ Normalizing dataset time series
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++ InstaCorr setup: 197234 voxels ready for work: 15.43 sec
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Dataset being analyzed

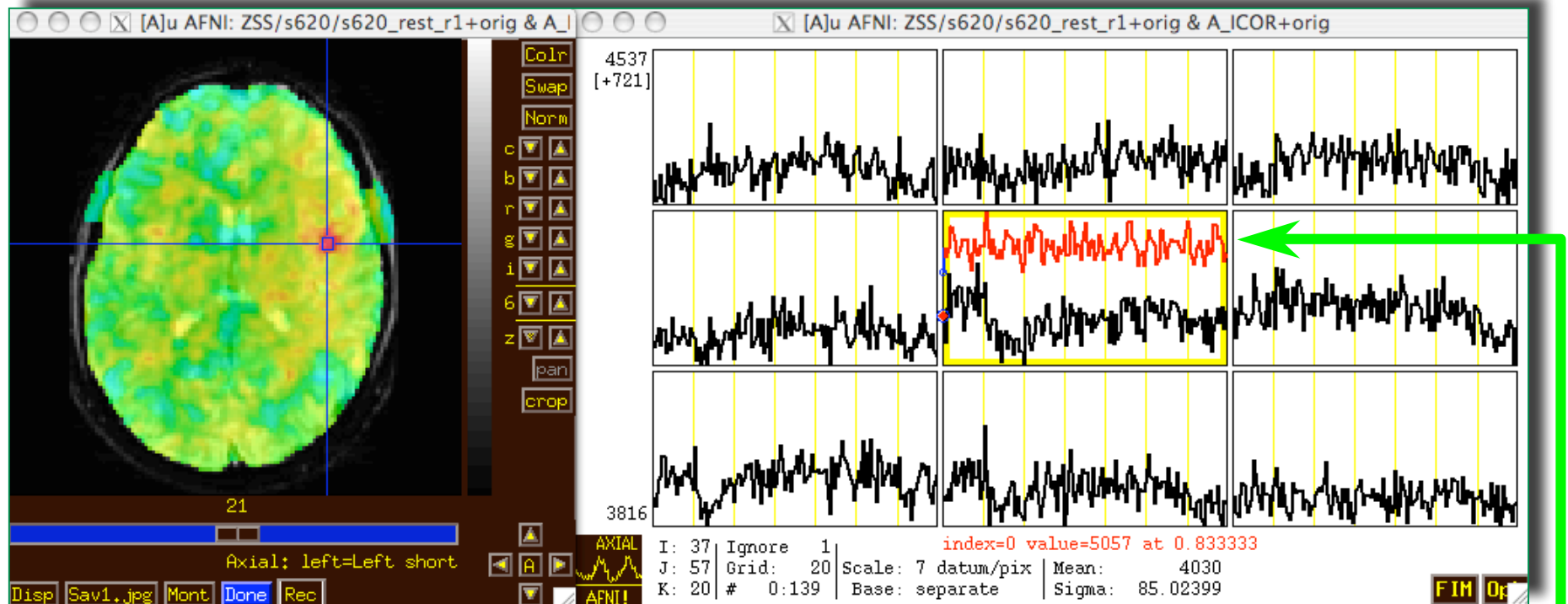
Most of the CPU time:
Uses BlurInMask

InstaCorr: The Fun Part



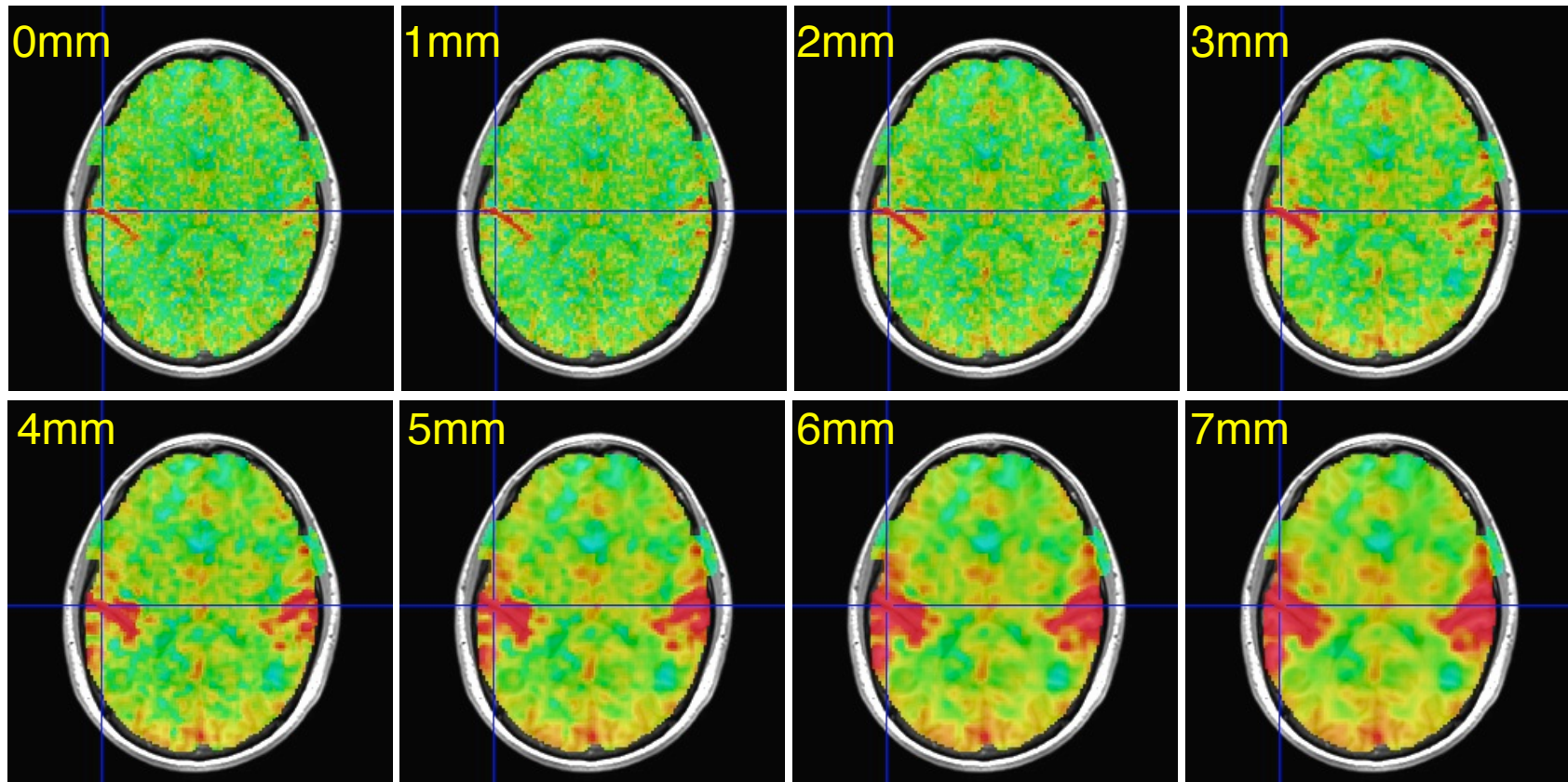
- In image viewer, set crosshairs to desired seed voxel
- **Right-click** popup menu → **InstaCorr Set**
 - ★ Creates new dataset **A_ICOR** for Overlay
- **Shortcut: Shift+Ctrl+Left-click** sets new crosshair location, then does **InstaCorr Set**
- **InstaCorr SeedJump** jumps focus to current seed

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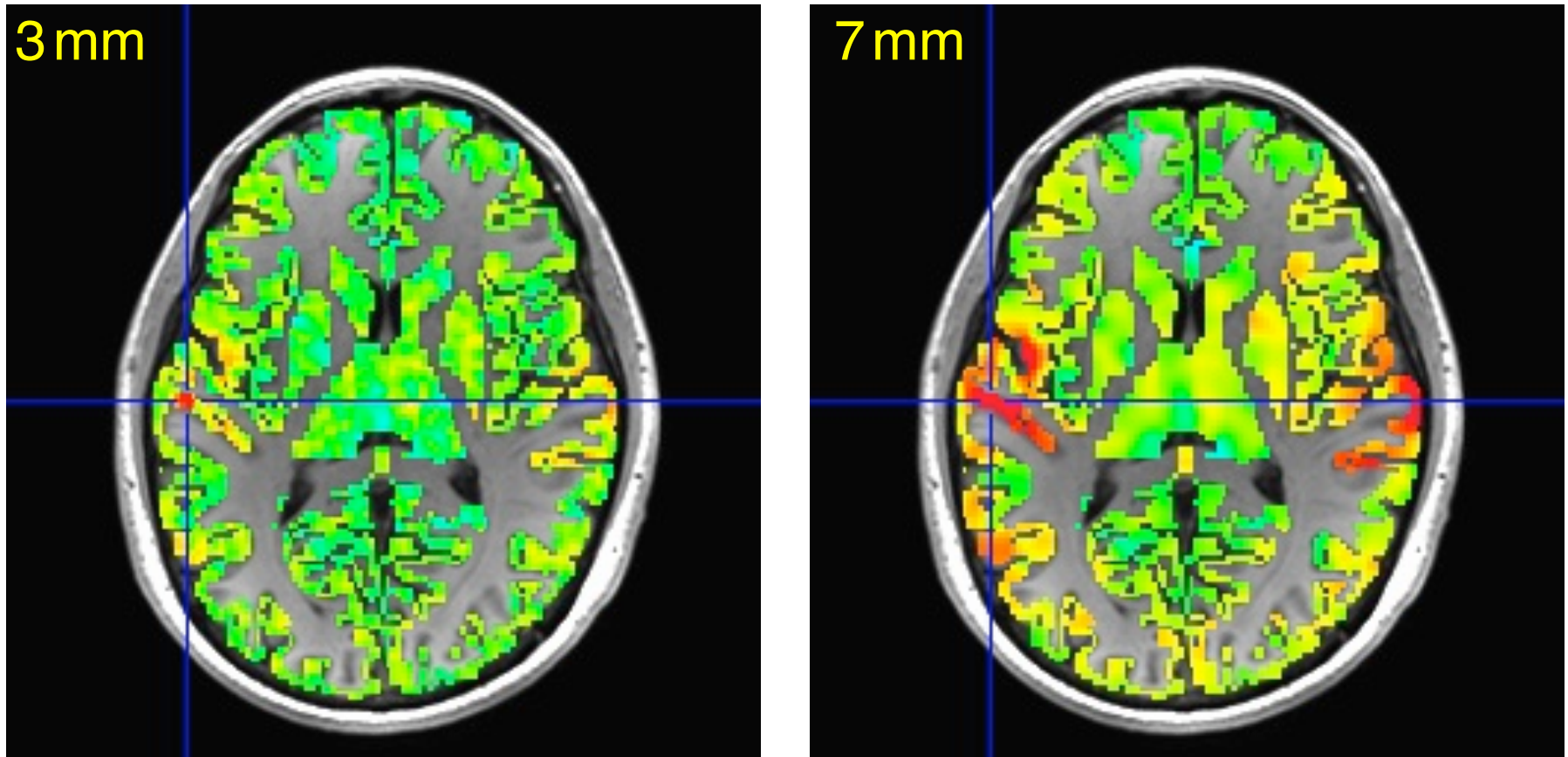
- In graph window:
 - ★ Set Ignore with **FIM→Ignore** menu (or **I** key)
 - ★ Set seed overlay with **FIM→Pick Ideal** menu
- When you change seed voxel, saved overlay time series will change (but you have to refresh graph to see it)

InstaCorr: Effects of Blurring



- Is this a pure vascular/cardiac effect being progressively smeared? Or real neural correlations seen via BOLD? Or some of both? *Venograms?*
 - ★ Dataset was RETROICOR-ized; mask is whole brain

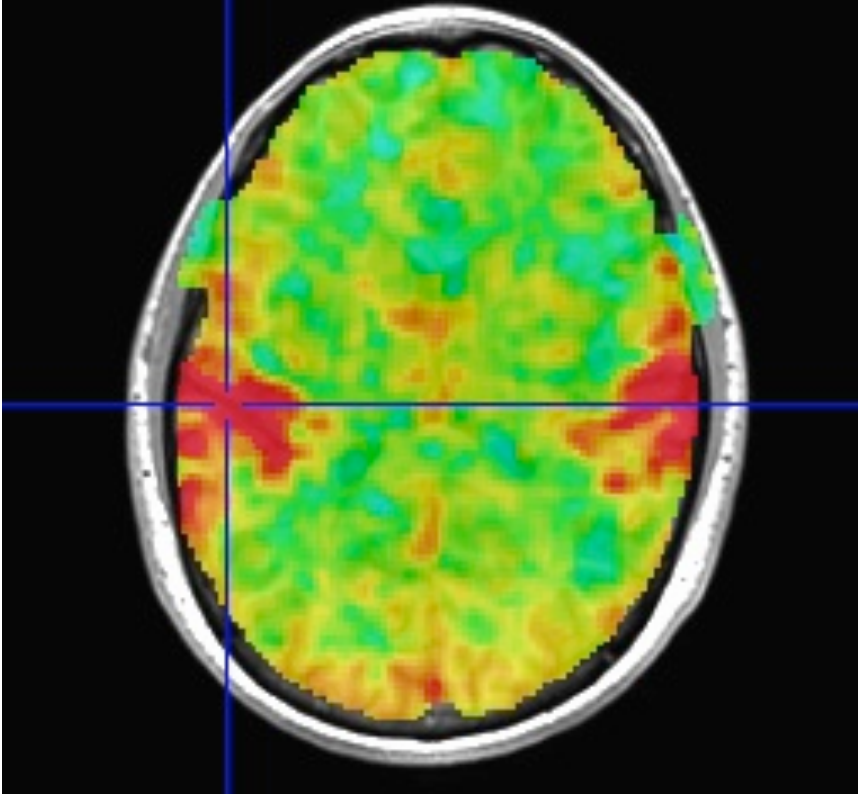
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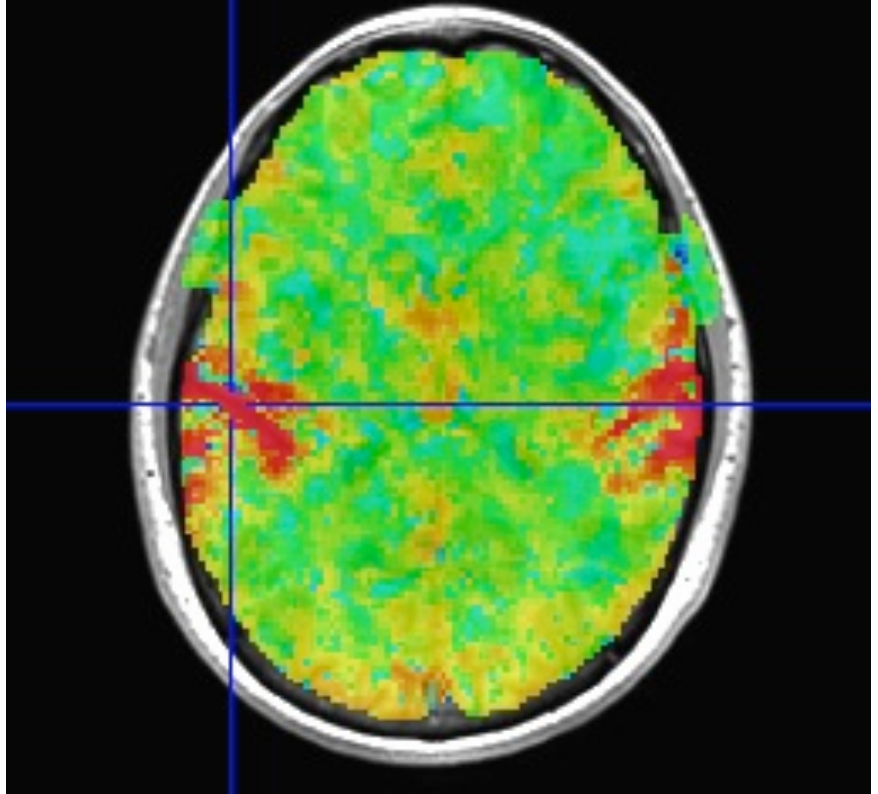
- Similar calculations, but with FreeSurfer-generated gray matter mask instead of Automask from EPI data
 - ★ Blurring is done only inside the mask (**3dBlurInMask**)
 - Using a discrete PDE-based iterative approach

InstaCorr: SVD-based “Blurring”

Gaussian 5mm



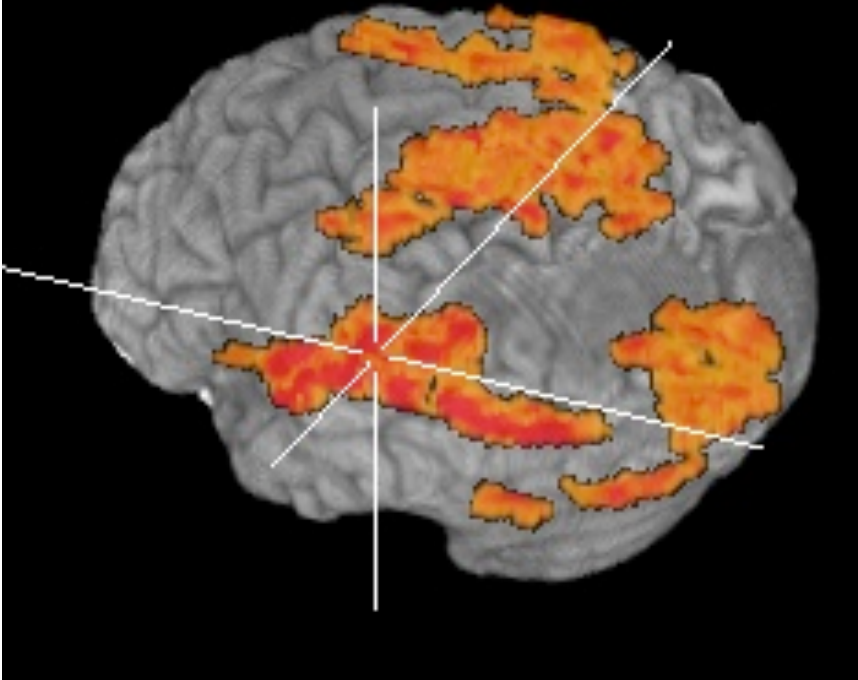
3dLocalSVD 5mm



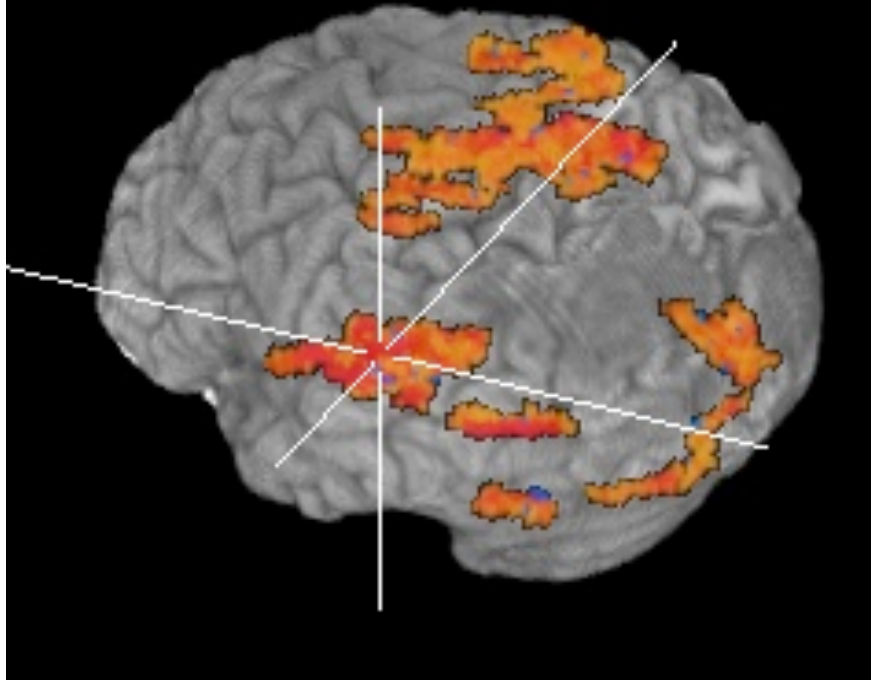
- Similar calculations, with Automask from EPI data, using **3dLocalSVD** over 5 mm radius sphere (67 voxels)
 - ★ Project each vector onto 2-dim principal subspace
 - ★ Far too slow to calculate interactively (at this time)

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Gaussian 5mm



3dLocalSVD 5mm



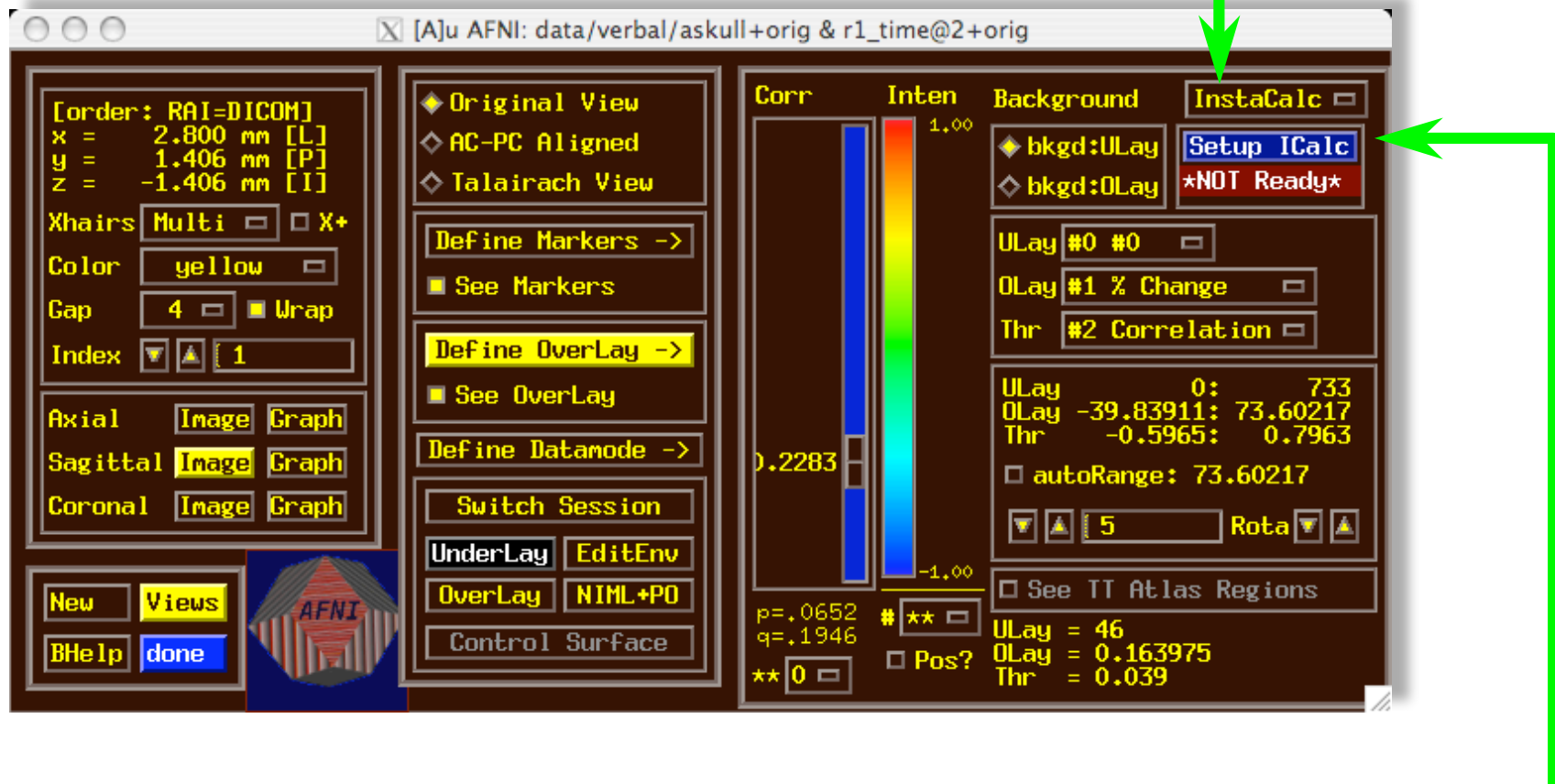
- Volume rendering of InstaCorr maps (threshold at $r=0.5$)
 - ★ Renderer updates automatically if **DynaDraw** is on
- SVD smoothing has cleaner spatial structure?
 - ★ Or has it lost some information? *I don't know.*

InstaCorr: Options and Plans

- Underlay doesn't have to be EPI data; could be anat
 - ★ Can use InstaCorr in multiple AFNI controllers
 - FDR: `setenv AFNI_INSTACORR_FDR YES`
 - ★ Will slow things down by a significant factor
 - Saving `A_ICOR` dataset: overwrites previous copies
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- Future Possibilities:
 - ★ Select ROI-based Orts to be detrended?
 - Based on ROIs from FreeSurfer or atlases?
 - ★ Or multiple seeds (partial + multiple correlations)?
 - ★ Interactive local SVD “smoothing”? (needs speedup)
 - ★ Group analysis InstaCorr (in standardized space)
 - Not quite “Insta” any more; $\approx 0.1 \times \text{\#Subjects}$ sec per seed
 - External script to do subject setups?
 - ★ Use time series subsets? (*e.g.*, for block design data)

InstaCalc: Dataset Calculator

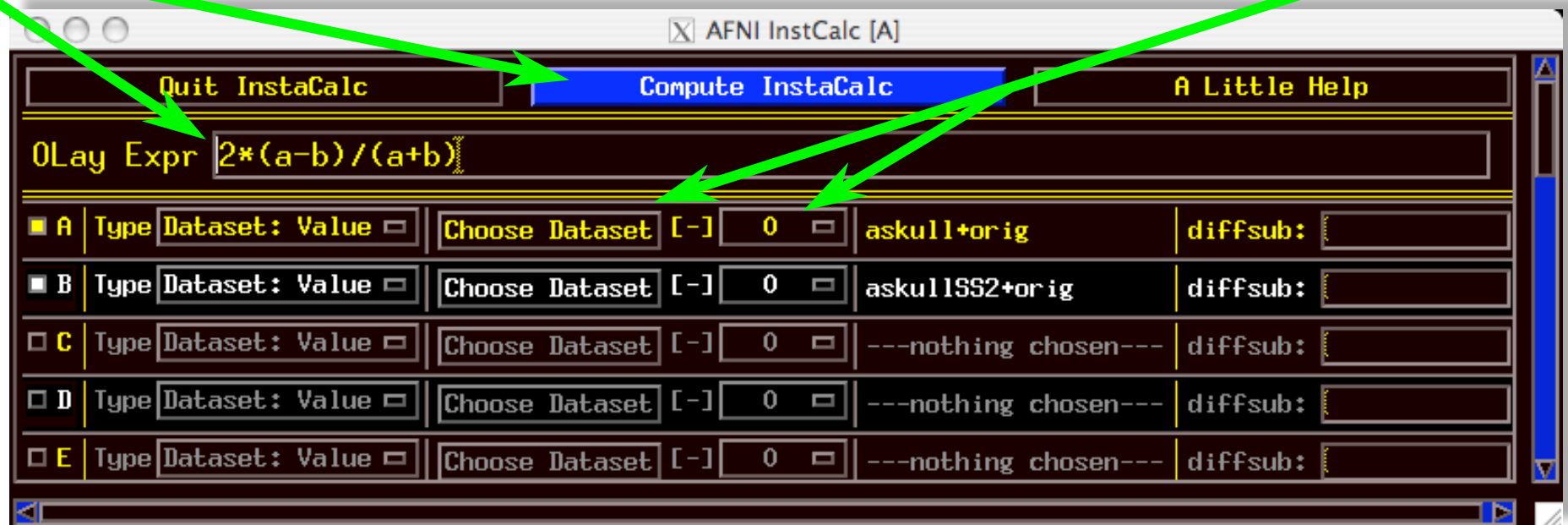
- Open **Define Overlay**, choose **InstaCalc** from menu in top right corner



- Then press **Setup ICalc** button to get control panel

InstaCalc: Setup

- Select datasets with **Choose Dataset** buttons
★ and sub-bricks with the **[-]** controls
- Enter symbolic expression
- Press **Compute InstaCalc**
- Creates new 1-brick dataset **A_ICALC** for Overlay
★ voxel-by-voxel calculations

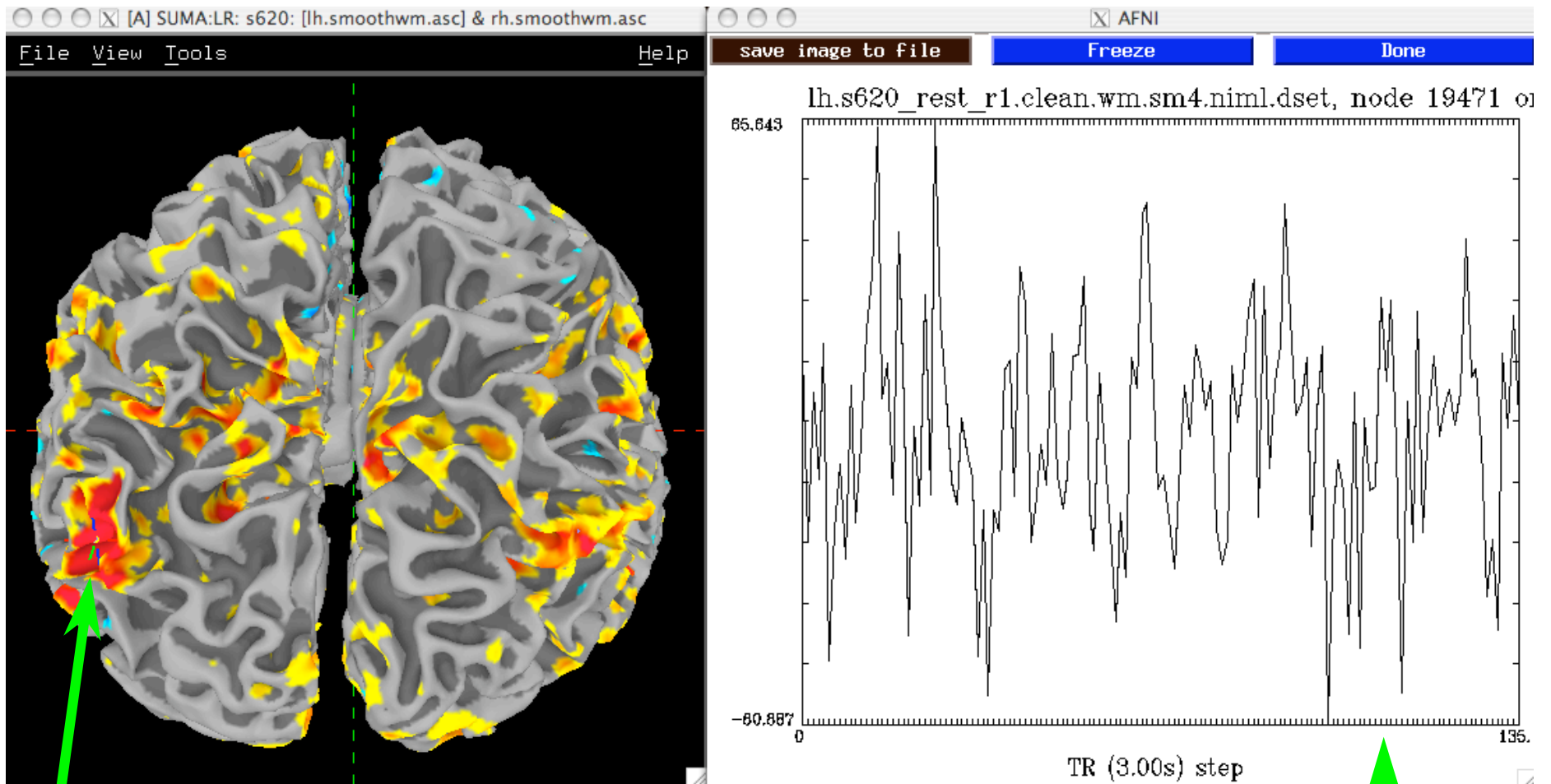




- Similar in concept to AFNI **InstaCorr** but requires some external pre-processing of time series datasets
 - ★ Removal of baseline, projection to surface, blurring
- In the **AFNI_data5/** directory, run the script
tcsh ./@run_REST_demo
 - ★ starts SUMA with 2 hemispheres
 - ★ loads pre-processed datasets into SUMA
 - ★ sets up SUMA's **InstaCorr**
- After all the setup is ready, right-clicking on the surface will do the **InstaCorr** calculations



InstaCorr: Sample



- Seed voxel and Seed voxel time series graph